



The Indianapolis Radio Club Newsletter

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September 2017 Newsletter

Upcoming Meeting:

October 13: Presentation on the relatively new digital mode FT-8.

Highlights from the September Meeting:

The meeting was called to order at 7:25 by Club President, David Spoelstra, N9KT. There were around 30 in attendance.

Mark Burke, W9MGB, announced that the Salvation army is going to have its first local SATERN 2 meter net Saturday, the 21st, at 7:00 pm, on the 146.88 repeater.

Tony Stokes, KU9V, announced that the Hilltop contest was coming up next Saturday, the 16th. So far he has no hilltops registered. Contact Tony, KU9V, to register your hilltop.

After this abbreviated business meeting, the excellent documentary film *USS Indianapolis: The Legacy* was presented. The film was a very interesting and moving presentation with interviews of many of the survivors of the USS Indianapolis, as well as many other players in and around the story of the Indianapolis. *[Editor's note: For those that were not able to attend this meeting, or would like to view the film again, it is available on Amazon Video.]*

Ham Radio News:

HILLTOP CONTEST COMING UP SOON!

The Hilltop contest, sponsored by the Indianapolis Radio Club, is coming up this coming Saturday, September 16, 2017. The contest starts at 1300 UTC and ends at 1700 UTC (9:00 am to 1:00 pm EDT). All stations may operate the full 4-hour period. Awards will be presented at the November Indianapolis Radio Club meeting. The top scoring Unlimited Hilltop, Limited Hilltop, and Single-Operator Hilltop stations will receive plaques. One plaque per station. All operators, including Non-Hilltop stations, will receive certificates. One certificate per operator. To register a hilltop, or for more information, contact Tony Stokes, KU9V, and ku9v@arrl.net.

2017 EVENTS NEEDING HAM RADIO SUPPORT

This year, we have:

Sat Oct 7 American Diabetes Tour-de-Cure Bike Ride

Sat Oct 7 Indpls Half Marathon in Lawrence

Sat Nov 4 Monumental Marathon

SPECIAL NOTE: Sat Oct 7 there are TWO Events taking place; ADA Bike Ride and the Half Marathon in Lawrence. I am working at planning on doing BOTH simultaneously. If you are signed up for both, I will be assigning you to only ONE of them. Stay tuned.

Please let me know if you are volunteering this year.

I am needing volunteers more than ever and with an aging ham radio volunteer pool, I need to plan on replacements. Get those new hams in on this!

Thanks

Michael R. Palmer, N9FEB

Marion County IN Events Coordinator for Ham Radio

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SIMULATED EMERGENCY TEST COMING UP

From Indiana Section Manager, Brent Walls, N9BA:

The Amateur Radio Service provides an invaluable service to governmental and non-governmental organizations during an emergency or disaster. It is important to keep our skills sharp and the relationships with our neighboring radio operators strong. When you need help, it will likely come from the next town or county over.

The Indiana Section of the ARRL will conduct a statewide Simulated Emergency Test on Saturday September 30th from 8AM to 11AM Eastern time. All Indiana Section ARES teams are requested to participate in this exercise and should have already received some preliminary instructions from the Section Emergency Coordinator. If you have not, please contact Tony KU9V by email at ku9v@arrl.net for the information.

Who can participate? All licensed Amateur Radio operators with a desire to test their communication skills. Contact your county ARRL Emergency Coordinator (EC) for instructions. If your county doesn't have an EC, you can still participate. Contact Tony KU9V at ku9v@arrl.net for more information about the exercise.

Can't leave the house that day? We will need relay stations on 2 meters all across the section for this exercise. Even if you can't leave the house, you can still participate. Stay tuned for additional information as we get closer to the date.

Please pass this message on to your fellow radio operators that may not be ARRL members. This exercise is for the entire Amateur Radio Community in Indiana.

OPEN HOUSE AT THE W9VW "BARN" REMOTE STATION –

There will be an open house at K9LZJ's Barn (W9VW) on September 23rd, 2PM to 5PM. Hank, K9LZJ, is also selling off a lot of his stuff as he has recently downsized. This will include VHF/UHF radios, 1.5KW amplifiers, IC-7000, Vibroplex keyers, antennas, cable, and tools. Hank is selling much of his workshop off after 60 years as a ham.

The Barn is located north of Greenfield, on New Road, east of St Rd 9. You can't miss the 150 ft tower and antennas.

<https://www.google.com/maps/@39.8154879,-85.7288359,209m/data=!3m1!1e3?hl=en>

UPCOMING INDIANAPOLIS AREA TESTING SESSIONS

Mooresville IN 46158-1333

Sponsor: Formidable Amt Radio Team

Date: Sep 19 2017

Time: 6:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

Contact: Matthew C. Payne

(317) 210-0443

Email: kb9uje@qsl.net

VEC: LAUREL MD

Location: Brown Township Government Ctr

471 N Samuel Moore Pkwy

Mooresville IN 46158-1333

Anderson IN 46016-2238

Sponsor: Anderson Repeater Club

Date: Sep 20 2017

Time: 6:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)

Contact: Stephen M. Riley

(765) 425-4627

Email: smriley@hughes.net

VEC: ARRL/VEC

Location: Madison County EOC

200 Delaware St

Anderson IN 46016-2238

Indianapolis IN 46241-1445
Sponsor: Indiana Elmer Network VE Team
Date: Sep 21 2017
Time: 6:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: Wayne R. Michael
(317) 340-5039
Email: wrmichael@hotmail.com
VEC: LAUREL MD
Location: Aviation Institute of Maintenance
7251 West McCarty Street
Indianapolis IN 46241-1445

Greenfield IN 46140-1100
Sponsor: Hancock Cty ARC
Date: Oct 14 2017
Time: 9:00 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: Jill Schaumloeffel
(317) 363-4674
Email: n2jlc@yahoo.com
VEC: ARRL/VEC
Location: Park Chapel Christian Church
1176 E McKenzie Rd
Greenfield IN 46140-1100

Indianapolis IN 46254-2407
Sponsor: Indianapolis Radio Club-W9JP
Date: Oct 14 2017
Time: 12:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: James K. Rinehart
(317) 721-1458
Email: k9ru@arrl.net
VEC: ARRL/VEC
Location: Salvation Army EDS Training Facility
4020 Georgetown Rd
Indianapolis IN 46254-2407

Anderson IN 46016-2238
Sponsor: Anderson Repeater Club
Date: Oct 18 2017
Time: 6:30 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: Stephen M. Riley
(765) 425-4627
Email: smriley@hughes.net
VEC: ARRL/VEC
Location: Madison County EOC
200 Delaware St
Anderson IN 46016-2238

Indianapolis IN 46241-1445
Sponsor: Indiana Elmer Network VE Team
Date: Oct 19 2017
Time: 6:00 PM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: Wayne R. Michael
(317) 340-5039
Email: wrmichael@hotmail.com
VEC: LAUREL MD
Location: Aviation Institute of Maintenance
7251 West McCarty Street
Indianapolis IN 46241-1445

Franklin IN 46131-9025
Sponsor: Mid State ARC
Date: Oct 21 2017
Time: 9:30 AM (Walk-ins allowed)
Contact: Kevin J. Nuetzman
(317) 523-9909
Email: kevinnuetzman@gmail.com
VEC: ARRL/VEC
Location: REMC Building
750 International Drive
Franklin IN 46131-9025

FOR SALE

National NCL-2000 Linear amp \$500

80-10 meters 1000 watts out plus.

Pair of RCA 8122 tetrodes

Input drive selectable 20W or 100W (either will drive the amp to full output)

This amplifier was donated to the Indianapolis Radio Club and I have checked it out and I am currently using it with my SB-104A.

Jim Rinehart K9RU

e-mail: k9ru@arrl.net

Ph: 317 721-1458

MORE FOR SALE

Ten-Tec Centurion Amplifier \$1200 OBO

Model 422

Rated for 1300 watts output on SSB (at nominal 100 W input)

160 meters - 10 meters

Tubes: two 3-500Z glass tubes

Wired for 220V input power

Purchased as demo from Ten-Tec in 2011, refurbished at Ten-Tec in 2016.

contact Ken Bandy, KJ9B

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FEEL FREE TO SHARE OUR NEWSLETTER

If you belong to any other radio groups, please feel free to share our newsletter with them. They can also sign up to be on our mailing list by filling out the form available at <http://www.indyradioclub.org/rqstnewsletter.htm>.

SEND ME YOUR HAM RADIO NEWS

If anyone has any items for the newsletter, please send them to Ken Bandy at kj9b@arrl.net

Signals from the Past:

From the September, 1967 *Amachewer*:

PROGRAM REVIEW FROM APRIL 28, 1967 MEETING:

Hank Wolfla, K9LZJ, told the club about the new Red Cross antenna.... Hank said the tower is 150 ft. tall and weighs 8000 pounds, with the first 28 foot section accounting for half the total weight. The un-guyed tulular mast supports a CB antenna, a 42 MHz, 6 M FM, 6 M AM, 2 M AM, and Telrex tri-bander antenna.

Upcoming Area Radio Events:

- October 7: Hoosier Hills/Bedford Hamfest Go to <http://www.w9qyq.org/hamfest/> for more information
- November 18 & 19: Ft. Wayne Hamfest. Go to <http://www.fortwaynehamfest.com/images/2017%20FLYER.pdf> for more info.

2017 Officers:

- President: David Spoelstra, N9KT – davids@mediamachine.com
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